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introduction of the bill and is willing to give the leadership for the appropriation of the money. Now we understand through that leadership we got results, and we can make far greater gains than many people realize, but let me alert you, the Judiciary Committee is an active viable committee. It's composed of a lot of strange characters, including Senator Carpenter and my friend Senator Chambers, but my friend we get something done, we don't talk about it all day and all week and year, we come up with a recommendation to solve problems that are known and ought to be solved, and I think that is commendable particular to the Chairman of the Judiciary Committee.

SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes Senator Syas.

SENATOR SYAS: Senators just a comment or two, this drug problem is all over the state and all over the United States, and it's in your small towns, and a few years ago I read quite an article from one of the smaller towns which one of the speakers was talking about today that opposed this type of thing, and it was in his town. Now the only thing I want to say I heard Judge Teaser awhile back talk about drug purchases, and I think we gave him fifty thousand dollars, and he said that was a drop in the bucket, that you had to have some real money to make these purchases so that you can get the pusher. Now I think if we need a lot of money to get the pushers, I think we'd better start appropriating the money to get the pusher.

SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes Senator Whitney, then Senator Keyes.

SENATOR WHITNEY: Mr. President, I'd like to read here a statement in this LB 13, currently in the drug division there are twenty uniformed officers of which two are in supervisory capacity of an investigator, and Lieutenant. LB 13 authorizes an additional ten investigators and two steno-clerks. So I want to say that apparently the appropriations committee has been willing to go along, because we now have twenty uniformed officers. Now, the committee statement says that the only person who appeared at the hearing was Senator Schmit who was in favor of the bill, and I haven't heard anything on this floor yet this morning which indicates that we have a need for spending an additional two hundred thousand dollars for more of these persons, and this is the type of thing that the appropriations committee insists on, is that we have the reasons for this. Not just that we had a telephone call to Colonel Krueger and Colonel Krueger said we need that man, now let's take LB 14, which Senator Schmit talked about. The budget committee last year approved of money for legal counselor, but Colonel Krueger didn't even hire that one man, even though we approved it, and the legislature wanted that man hired, and so now, he is asking for three, even though he didn't hire one last year, and I want to say that the appropriations committee has to look at priorities and whenever they feel that things are needed, we make those recommendations. We agree, we don't have problems about not being able to agree finally on things, we simply debate those things in the appropriations committee until we are satisfied that these things are important and that's what we do, so I would like to have some justification for spending two hundred thousand dollars, just what is the problem?

SPEAKER: Well, Senator Schmit do you care to respond?

SENATOR SCHMIT: I certainly do. First of all Senator Whitney, I want to tell you that the reason Colonel Krueger did not hire the man we provided last year, was because he could not hire the man he wanted and needed for the amount of money we placed in the bill and I take that responsibility because I did not ask for enough money. Secondly you refer to a number of people that are presently involved in drug investigative work in the